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: PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is in response to applicants' petition filed September 11, 2003, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d).

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, VIII. Therefor the petition is **GRANTED**.

The following condition applies to the grant of this petition: If, upon examination, it is determined that a restriction requirement is necessary because of multiple inventions being claimed, applicant will be required to make an election without traverse of a single invention to be prosecuted. Failure to make an election without traverse will void the special status accorded in this decision.

The application will be forwarded the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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